



## Bill Wilson

January 18, 1935 - October 24, 2020

PRINCETON - William "Bill" Wilson, 85, of Princeton, passed away Saturday, October 24, 2020. Born January 18, 1935 in Hinton, he was the son of the late Estil and Kathleen Wilson.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Jack Wilson.

After graduating Hinton High School, Bill attended Greenbrier Military School in Lewisburg prior to joining the U.S. Army where he served two years at Fort Benning. He subsequently graduated from Concord College and joined the leadership team of G.C. Murphy Company, a job that would lead him to meet the love of his life, Jan. Bill and his family settled in Princeton where he worked as a State Farm agent for 35 years prior to retirement in 2000.

Bill loved traveling and camping at Claytor Lake. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Princeton. Bill served on the board of directors for the Princeton Recreation Center and was a member of the Jaycees, Princeton Elks and Hinton Moose Lodge.

Left to treasure his memory are his wife of 61 years, Janice Kay Blankenship Wilson; daughter Kimberly and husband, Robert Sheets, of Princeton; son William Scott and wife, Deborah, of Charleston, SC; grandson Chase Pilkins

of Princeton; grandchildren Lakan Sheets of Huntington, Cody and Megan Sheets of Princeton; and great-grandchildren Nevaeh and Elizabeth; brother, Johnny Wilson, of Florida; and niece, Judy Wilson and family, of Virginia.

A graveside service for family and friends will be held at 12:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 28, 2020 in the Gethsemane Garden of Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton with Pastor Tom McDowell officiating. Military honors will be conducted by the Mercer County Veterans Honor Guard. Friends and family attending the service are asked to meet at the cemetery.

Bill requested that in lieu of flowers memorial contributions be made to Feeding Hungry Children Fund at First United Methodist Church (304-991-1900) or the Salvation Army.

Arrangements by Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton. Online condolences may be shared with the family at [www.bailey-kirk.com](http://www.bailey-kirk.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Roselawn Memorial Gardens

450 Courthouse Road  
Princeton, WV 24740

# Previous Events

## Graveside

OCT 28. 12:00 PM (ET)

Roselawn Memorial Gardens  
450 Courthouse Road  
Princeton, WV 24740

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bill Wilson*

December 27, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Bill was a gentleman and so nice. I am very sad that he is gone. Hugs to Jan and family. Kaye Marino Williams*

**Kaye Marino Williams** - November 05, 2020 at 08:48 AM



“ *jan, kim and scott, our hearts were broken when we heard of bill's passing. sorry we could not be there but you all were and are in our prayers. bill is with mom, dad, jack, and mimi and I am sure was greeted by all when he got to the gates! stay strong, love one another, as we love you all, and god will help you through this. bill is no longer suffering and is in paradise!!! if you need to cry do so. grieving is no shame. deb and I celebrate the times we spent together as family. we are and always will be. if you all need a shoulder to cry on, we will always be there for you. we love you all and will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers. love you all, deb and hap bragg*

**dana bragg,m.d.** - November 03, 2020 at 07:59 AM



“ *Jan; Anita and I are so sorry to learn of Bill's death. He was such a Good Guy. Our thoughts and prayers and with you and the family. Mike & Anita Eades*

**Mike Eades** - October 28, 2020 at 08:19 AM

OR

“ *Jan and family,  
Mother and I send our deepest sympathy to you in this terrible loss.  
Much love and prayers for you as you celebrate Bill's life*  
Ruth Barber Oliver

Oliver Ruth - October 27, 2020 at 04:02 PM

JH

“ *We were very saddened to hear of Bill's passing. In addition to  
being our insurance agent for many years he was a wonderful  
friend. He will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jan  
and the family. Joe and Barbara Hampton*

Joe Hampton - October 27, 2020 at 10:08 AM

TS

“ *Kim, We were so very sorry to hear of the loss of your dear Father.  
Hold on to all of your wonderful memories. God be with you and  
your family now and in all your days to come.*

Tim and Randi Stutler - October 27, 2020 at 08:20 AM



“ *TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of  
Bill Wilson*



TonyanEdgar Wicks - October 26, 2020 at 05:33 PM

TG

*Deepest sympathy to the family. Bill was my ins agent for yrs when I  
was in Wv. He will be greatly missed. Sincerely. Teresa Gray-  
Saunders. Rianoke, Va*

Teresa Gray-Saunders - October 26, 2020 at 08:30 PM

BM

*I'm so sorry for you loss, my prayers and thoughts are with you!*

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**Barbara Mitchem** - October 27, 2020 at 06:19 AM

MW

*Janice & Family,*

*Sorry to hear of the passing of Bill. Please take comfort in knowing he is with our HEAVENLY FATHER.*

*Martha Wilson-Whitney*

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**Martha Wilson-Whitney** - October 27, 2020 at 02:28 PM

JD

*Jan and family,*

*Our deepest sympathy in the passing of Bill.*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family,*

*Love in Christ Jesus, Jane and Gene Duremdes*

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**Jane B. Duremdes** - October 27, 2020 at 06:26 PM

SH

*Jan and Kim, my deepest sympathies for you all. May the Lord give you the strength and comfort you need during this difficult time. Love and prayers, Sonja R Hovatter.*

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**Sonja R Hovatter** - October 29, 2020 at 04:21 PM